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**LAX RUNWAYS**

On January 10, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a settlement agreement with the Los Angeles World Airport Authority regarding the LAX Master Plan. Part of the agreement required LAWA to promote regionalization of airport services by encouraging growth of air service at Ontario and Palmdale airports.

At the August 20, 2007 Board of Airport Commissioners meeting, the Board voted to conduct a sixth safety study of the north runway complex at LAX, including whether the runway complex could handle the new large aircraft such as the Airbus A380. However, none of the proposed studies include an evaluation of whether the Ontario or Palmdale airports could accommodate the new large aircraft even though part of the lawsuit settlement requires an effort to regionalize airport services. It is unclear whether the recent actions of LAWA incorporate the spirit of the settlement agreement.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the County Counsel and the Chief Executive Officer to:

1. inquire of LAWA what steps have been taken to evaluate the suitability of Ontario and Palmdale airports to accommodate the new large aircraft.
2. evaluate whether LAWA's efforts in this regard are in compliance with the spirit of the settlement agreement regarding regionalizing air service.
3. evaluate whether the overall intent of the settlement agreement has been met to date.
4. report back to the Board within 30 days on these issues.

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